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Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS (AMC)
CHIEFS ORGANIZATION STRATEGY 2001**

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) desire to change the existing organizational structure of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Secretariat Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the AMC have developed a detailed Organization Strategy 2001 to address the restructuring issue; and

WHEREAS, the goals of Organization Strategy 2001 are to: create an effective mechanism to advance common issues of First Nation leadership in Manitoba; to maintain unity among Manitoba First Nations; to develop and implement strategies that address common First Nations issues and concerns, to promote, preserve, and protect inherent and Treaty rights for First Nation people in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS, the Organization Strategy 2001 envisions a new central governance forum for discussion, coordination and consensus building on common issues among the First Nation leaders in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS, the Organization Strategy 2001 will result in a more responsive streamlined and cost-efficient decision-making structure where all First Nation leaders have a participating role;

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**RE: ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS (AMC)
CHIEFS ORGANIZATION STRATEGY 2001 (cont'd)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly support and mandate the Grand Chief of AMC to take the necessary steps to implement all aspects of the Organization Strategy 2001 to create an effective central mechanism to advance common issues of First Nation leadership in Manitoba.

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Garden Hill First Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy William E. Thomas
Nisichawayasihk Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS GOVERNANCE
HOUSE**

WHEREAS, the Organization Strategy 2001 envisions the establishment of a "Manitoba First Nations Governance House" owned by Manitoba First Nations people; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations Governance House will be recognized by First Nation people and other levels of government as the official house for all First Nation leaders to conduct their business; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations Governance House will serve as an official house for First Nation leaders to meet and negotiate with all other levels of government; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations Governance House will also conduct policy research, analysis and coordinate initiatives to assist First Nations people throughout the transition to First Nations self-government in various government service areas, and make recommendations on all common issues affecting First Nations people; and

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**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS GOVERNANCE
HOUSE (cont'd)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs of Manitoba support and direct the Grand Chief of AMC to implement the Business Plan to establish a Manitoba First Nations Governance House;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chiefs of Manitoba resolve to direct the Grand Chief of AMC to take all steps necessary to implement the Business Plan to establish a Manitoba First Nations Governance House including, but not limited to, securing an adequate land base as well as securing necessary funds to build the Governance House.

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MAR-01.03

Moved by:

Chief Shirley Castel
Mathias Colomb First Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy William E. Thomas
Nisichawayasihk Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: HEALTH CANADA /MANITOBA FIRST
NATIONS HEALTH COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Health Canada /Manitoba First Nations Working Group have developed a process to improve the capacity of addressing priority health issues and working towards making positive change to First Nation Health Care; and

WHEREAS, the Health Council will participate in a planning implementation and monitoring of First Nations Health Programs in the First Nations Inuit Health Branch Manitoba Region; and

WHEREAS, the Health Council could be comprised of representatives of the Tribal Councils, Independents, a recognized Elder, a First Nations Youth and the First Nations Inuit Health Branch; and

WHEREAS, the Health Council will review existing First Nations and Inuit Health Branch committees to determine the need for their on-going existence;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly hereby support the formation of a Health Canada/ Manitoba First Nations Health Council.

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Moved by:

Chief Bernard Catcheway
Skownan First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Shirley Castel
Mathias Colomb First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: HEALTH CANADA/MANITOBA FIRST
NATIONS WORKING GROUP ON-GOING PROCESS**

WHEREAS, the Health Canada/Manitoba First Nations Working Group process has been in effect since April 1999 and has developed five Interim Reports to date; and

WHEREAS, there remains more Interim Reports to be completed to finish the Review/Reports process for the Manitoba First Nation Health Care Crisis presentation to Federal Health Minister Rock and to the Chiefs of Manitoba;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Health Canada/Manitoba First Nations Working Group continue to have ministerial representation, as a means of maintaining the Federal Minister of Health Canada's commitment to the Manitoba First Nation Health Crisis.

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MAR-01.06

Moved by:

Chief Gilbert Andrews
God's Lake Narrows First
Nation

**RE: FIRST NATIONS AND INUIT HEALTH BRANCH
(FNIHB) MANITOBA REGION DEFICIT- \$21
MILLION**

Seconded by:

Chief Shirley Castel
Mathias Colomb First Nation

WHEREAS, the FNIHB Region continues to be in a deficit situation of approximately \$21 Million; and

MOTION CARRIED

WHEREAS, approximately \$1million from Community Based Health Programs has been transferred towards the FNIHB Region Deficit; and

WHEREAS, the Community Based Health Programs should not have to suffer the consequences of supporting the overall FNIHB Region Deficit;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the Regional Director, Manitoba Region to halt any further actions impacting the Community Based Health Programs funding and that the Community Based Funding \$1Million (FY 2000/01) be re-profiled into next fiscal year; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the Regional Director, Manitoba Region to address the Manitoba Region Deficit to FNIHB Ottawa as a means of covering the Deficit to zero balance.

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Moved by:

Chief Dennis Pashe
Dakota Tipi First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: MENTAL HEALTH PILOT PROJECT -
MANITOBA REGION**

WHEREAS, there is a need to try new innovative approaches to provide mental health services in the Manitoba Region; and

WHEREAS, a Mental Health Pilot Project could test new approaches to individual, family and community healing;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly support the implementation of the Mental Health Pilot with recommendations for sites made by the Health Canada/Manitoba First Nations Working Group to the Chiefs Health Committee. The Health Canada/Manitoba First Nations Health Council, once formed, will oversee, monitor, evaluate and report on the Mental Health Pilot Project; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the FNIHB Manitoba Region provide the funding to support the Mental Health Pilot Project.

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Moved by:

Chief Bernard Catcheway
Skownan First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS RESEARCH
CENTRE**

WHEREAS, in 1996, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs made a \$500,000 contribution to the Foundations for Health's newly constructed John Buhler Research Centre (Health Sciences Centre) for the purpose of devoting research time to further explore the benefits of Traditional Healing for Manitoba First Nations people; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, a proposal for research space was submitted to the Foundations for Health for the joint management of a Manitoba First Nations Research Centre by the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and the Northern Health Research Unit (Community Health Sciences Department - University of Manitoba). The Foundations for Health accepted the proposal and space was set aside at the John Buhler Research Centre for a Manitoba First Nations Research Centre; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, a proposal has been developed which outlines the operation of the Centre by the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and the Northern Health Research Unit but has not been approved by the Chiefs-In-Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the name for the Centre has been proposed as the "Manitoba First Nations Centre for Aboriginal Health Research" and needs to be approved and sanctioned before proposals for operational budgets can be submitted; and

WHEREAS, the Centre has to secure funding for operational costs and on-going maintenance;

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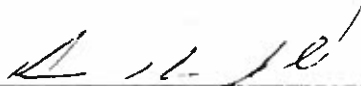
**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS RESEARCH
CENTRE (cont'd)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly approve the naming of the research centre to the "Manitoba First Nations Centre for Aboriginal Health Research"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposal outlining the Centre's operation and joint management be approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC Grand Chief be mandated to secure funding for the Centre from the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, and other funding agencies.

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MAR-01.09

Moved by:

Proxy William E. Thomas
Nisichawayasihk Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Mike Muswagon
Norway House Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: REVIEW OF SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM /
FIRST NATIONS WITH A DISABILITY**

WHEREAS, the acute needs of First Nations with a disability were identified in the findings of the Aboriginal Human Resource Development Strategy (AHRDS) needs assessment; and

WHEREAS, the current service delivery system is complex and varied;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Disability Program be mandated to undertake a process for comprehensive review and evaluation of the current systems; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the findings of this process be used to develop a strategy for program and policy change as it relates to First Nations with disabilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on completion of this research, a comprehensive strategy is developed to address the particular needs of First Nations with disabilities and their families leading to a development of a program to offer services to families caring for First Nations people with special needs.

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MAR-01.10

Moved by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Mike Muswagon
Norway House Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: FIRST NATIONS CHILDREN WITH
DISABILITIES**

WHEREAS, the Aboriginal Human Resource Development Strategy (AHRDS) needs assessment report findings have identified 102 First Nations children with a disability; and

WHEREAS, the particular needs of First Nations children with disabilities require further review and research;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a follow-up research initiative be conducted on First Nations children with disabilities and their families in areas such as social security, health care needs and home and community care related issues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on completion of this research, a comprehensive strategy is developed to address the particular needs of First Nations children with disabilities and their families leading to the development of a Program to offer services to families caring for children with special needs.

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Moved by:

Proxy Mike Muswagon,
Norway House Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Larry Soldier
Swan Lake First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: WHISKYJACK TREATMENT CENTRE INC.

WHEREAS, the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre Inc. has been in operation since October, 1996 and has accepted clients of Aboriginal descent from Manitoba and Canada; and

WHEREAS, the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre Inc. has become a recognized, leading establishment in the delivery of treatment services for youth, adults, and families; and

WHEREAS, the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre Inc. will enter into an accreditation process with the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation in the spring of 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre Inc. has initiated the construction of a permanent thirty two (32) bed treatment facility at Whiskyjack Crossing; and

WHEREAS, the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre Inc. is presently funded for twelve (12) treatment beds by Health Canada's First Nations and Inuit Health Branch; and

WHEREAS, the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre Inc. has the capacity and facilities to accommodate an additional eighteen (18) treatment beds at its present location; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) recognize that existing Health Canada, First Nation and Inuit Health Branch resources allocations for the First Nation in the Province of Manitoba are maintained;

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RE: WHISKYJACK TREATMENT CENTRE INC.
(cont'd)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly support Health Canada in allocating funding of eighteen (18) youth solvent abuse beds to the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief and the Chiefs Health Committee to ensure Health Canada secures the eighteen (18) additional treatment beds for the Whiskyjack Treatment Centre Inc.

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MAR-01.12

Moved by:

Chief Shirley Castel
Mathias Colomb First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: FIRST NATIONS AND INUIT HEALTH BRANCH
(FNIHB) TWO YEAR NURSING PILOT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS, the Mathias Colomb Cree Nation returned its
Nursing Services to FNIHB; and**

**WHEREAS, the FNIHB have experienced the same financial
over expenditures in the delivery of Nursing services; and**

**WHEREAS, that Mathias Colomb Cree Nation is in the
process of developing a comprehensive and adequately
funded Nursing Plan; and**

**WHEREAS, the Mathias Colomb Cree Nation is prepared to
reassume its Nursing Services;**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-
In-Assembly direct FNIHB to provide human and financial
resources to Mathias Colomb First Nation for the purpose of
conducting a two-year Nursing Pilot Program.**

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MAR-01.13

Moved by:

Chief Shirley Castel
Mathias Colomb First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: FIRST NATIONS AND INUIT HEALTH BRANCH
(FNIHB) HEALTH TRANSFER AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, FNIHB introduced a new Health Transfer Agreement pro forma in their Renewal Transfer discussions with Mathias Colomb Cree Nation in February 2001; and

WHEREAS, this new pro forma will be applied to all Manitoba First Nations; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs direct FNIHB to establish a consultation process with First Nations prior to the implementation of the new pro forma.

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Moved by:

Chief Welsey Harper
Red Sucker Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Darcy Wood
Garden Hill First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: RED SUCKER LAKE FIRST NATION AND
OTHER ISOLATED COMMUNITIES MEDICAL
EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AT NURSING
STATION**

WHEREAS, Island Lake Tribal Council First Nations are isolated communities that solely rely on its Nursing Services and availability of medical equipment for the purpose of assessing health conditions of its membership; and

WHEREAS, Red Sucker Lake First Nation (RSLFN) is faced with a dilemma of an increase in the mortality rate of its membership who are special health needs clients; and

WHEREAS, RSLFN Nursing Station is not adequately equipped with proper diagnostic medical equipment to assist with proper diagnosis of patients;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly direct First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) to review and evaluate the medical capacity at the Nursing Station at RSLFN including diagnostics, medical technology, communication technology, qualified Nurses, medical professionals, adequate space/offices, etc.; and

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**RE: RED SUCKER LAKE FIRST NATION AND
OTHER ISOLATED COMMUNITIES MEDICAL
EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AT NURSING
STATION (cont'd)**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In Assembly direct FNIHB to resolve this matter immediately for all twenty-two (22) isolated First Nation communities: Barren Lands, Berens River, Bloodvein, Fox Lake, Garden Hill, God's Lake Narrows, Little Grand Rapids, Manto Sipi, Marcel Colomb, Mathias Colomb, Northlands, O-Pinon-Na-Piwin, Oxford House, Pauingassi, Poplar River, Red Sucker Lake, Sayisi Dene, Shamattawa, St. Theresa Point, War Lake, Wasagamack and York Factory.

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Moved by:

Chief Darcy Wood
Garden Hill First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Wesley Harper
Red Sucker Lake First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: ISLAND LAKE TRIBAL COUNCIL FIRST
NATIONS (ILTC) REQUEST FOR DIABETES
EDUCATION AND AWARENESS**

WHEREAS, the ILTC communities are amongst the highest of First Nations affected by Type I & II Diabetes on a per capita basis across the country; and

WHEREAS, in July 2000 the University of Manitoba Northern Health Research Unit published a report commissioned by the Four Arrows Regional Health Authority entitled "Health System Review for the Island Lake First Nations" where it was found that "diabetes affected 3% under the age of 24 years, 10% between 25-44 years, 32% of those aged 45-64, and 45% of those aged 65 and above"; and

WHEREAS, the ILTC communities have begun an accelerated community educational approach to address and promote awareness and preventative measures in dealing with Diabetes; and

WHEREAS, the ILTC requires adequate funding to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy on Diabetes prevention and education to all age groups.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) direct the AMC Grand Chief to work with the ILTC Chiefs in acquiring a multi-year funding arrangement for the Island Lake communities to deal with the Diabetes epidemic in their First Nation communities.

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Moved by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: DAKOTA-OJIBWAY TRIBAL COUNCIL (DOTC)
AND NON-INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS (NIHB)
SERVICE CENTRE PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the DOTC NIHB Service Centre Project mandated by the DOTC Council of Chiefs on February 8, 2000 has been initiated through the development of a "draft" conceptual Framework and Implementation Process; and

WHEREAS, the draft Conceptual Framework for the implementation of the Service Centre encompasses seven (7) phases of development required to implement the concept to actual delivery stage, including a negotiation and design phase, a planning phase, submission and assessment phase and an approval phase; and

WHEREAS, within each of these phases and timelines, certain tasks and activities will need to be completed to make this project a reality by March, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the DOTC NIHB Service Centre concept is currently in the conceptual phase and moving towards the negotiation and design phase targeted before the end of fiscal year 2001-2002; and

WHEREAS, once the funding submission is approved for this phase and the start-up costs are approved, the DOTC Council of Chiefs and Chief Executive Officer will be in a position to hire a consultant to assist in preparing the business plan for submission to First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB);

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**RE: DAKOTA-OJIBWAY TRIBAL COUNCIL (DOTC)
AND NON-INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS (NIHB)
SERVICE CENTRE PROJECT (cont'd)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that once approval is granted for the design stage of the project, the implementation phase can progress as outlined within the conceptual framework; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly support DOTC's request to proceed with market analysis and the study of establishing the NIHB Service Centre; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that FNIHB provide funding to support the study.

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Moved by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Mike Muswagon
Norway House Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: AUDIT ON HEALTH CANADA

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations have concerns with respect to Health Canada's accountability and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations want Health Canada to be held accountable for its funds under the same accountability standards that First Nations are subject to;

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-In-Assembly have identified the need for an independent special audit on Health Canada's actual expenditures;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Government of Canada document compliance with accountability standards including transparency, disclosure and redress; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the Government of Canada to conduct an independent special audit on Health Canada's actual expenditures in its entirety.

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Moved by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy William E. Thomas
Nisichawayasihk Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: NATIONAL NATIVE ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE
PROGRAM (NNADAP) WORKING GROUP
STRATEGIC RESPONSE**

WHEREAS, in 1997, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) resolved to mandate the Manitoba National Native Alcohol & Drug Abuse Program (NNADAP); and

WHEREAS, in 1998, a NNADAP Review was completed which includes 37 recommendations to improve NNADAP programming. In 1999, the Review was distributed to all First Nations; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the 37 recommendations, the National Native Addictions Foundation (NNAF) and Regional Working Groups were established in 1999. AMC passed a resolution to support representation from the Manitoba NNADAP Working Group to sit on the NNAF; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba NNADAP Regional Working Group developed a draft strategic plan to address the 37 recommendations and are actively pursuing the implementation of this strategy; and

WHEREAS, in February 2001, the AMC Chiefs Health Committee passed a resolution to support Chief Ron Fontaine of Sagkeeng First Nation to keep the Virginia Fontaine Memorial Addictions Foundation (VFMAF) operating in order to maintain existing beds until such time the investigation ordered by Health Canada is completed and to help develop alternative strategies in the case of closure of the VFMAF; and

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**RE: NATIONAL NATIVE ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE
PROGRAM (NNADAP) WORKING GROUP
STRATEGIC RESPONSE (cont'd)**

WHEREAS, in February 2001, the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak (MKO) Chiefs passed a resolution to support and direct the MKO Grand Chief to negotiate with First Nations & Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) to ensure that funding currently allocated to Manitoba Treatment Centres are not reallocated outside the Province; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations are concerned with the loss of resources and services as a result of the VFMAF closure; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba NNADAP Working Group developed an eight (8) point strategic response to maintain the financial resources allocated to Manitoba Treatment Centres within the Province that would address the current needs with Manitoba First Nations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly endorse and support the Manitoba NNADAP Review Working Group's strategic response (dated December, 2000) as an alternative strategy in the event of the VFMAF closure.

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Moved by:

Proxy Mike Muswagon
Norway House Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: CANADA HEALTH AND SOCIAL TRANSFER
(CHST) ACT/SOCIAL UNION FRAMEWORK
AGREEMENT (SUFA)**

WHEREAS, the 1996 CHST Act replaced the previous Federal and Provincial/Territorial transfer funding arrangements (Canada Assistance Plan and Established Program Financing) to a process of block funding; and

WHEREAS, as of February 1999, a three year SUFA between the Federal and Provincial/ Territorial Governments (excluding Quebec) was signed as a means of improving the Social Union of Canadians; and

WHEREAS, the SUFA is a result of a position put forth by the Provincial/Territorial Governments in lieu of the CHST Act implications and block funding mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, Aboriginal groups were excluded from the development and signing of the SUFA and only cited two clauses making reference to Aboriginal groups under Section 1. Principles which reflects the non-derogation clause, and Section 4. Working in Partnerships for Canadians; and

WHEREAS, in March 1999, the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) presented to the Premiers, a Companion Accord recognizing the rights and entitlements to social services (Briefing Attached) of First Nations; and

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(CHST) ACT/SOCIAL UNION FRAMEWORK
AGREEMENT (SUFA) (cont'd)**

WHEREAS, the Federal Government of Canada responded to the position of the Provincial/ Territorial governments regarding the CHST Act implications and should thus respond to the position of First Nations, in respect of meeting First Nations pressing needs; and

WHEREAS, by means of the CHST Act and SUFA, the federal government is shifting greater responsibilities to the Provincial/Territorial jurisdictions, which will further cause greater impacts on First Nations people;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the Grand Chief of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) to the following actions:

1. To ensure that in the implementation of the SUFA that the Treaty and Inherent Rights shall not be diminished, derogated or abrogated in any way including rights recognized and affirmed derived from the Constitution of Canada and Royal Proclamation, 1763 or any other existing interests, rights or entitlements.
2. That the Nation-to-Nation relationship of the First Nations and the Crown be protected and reflected in the existing Agreement and any succeeding Agreement pertaining to SUFA.
3. The development of a Manitoba Region Action Plan that will legally challenge SUFA and CHST Act.

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AGREEMENT (SUFA) (cont'd)**

4. Organize a political meeting with the Federal/Provincial governments to address the SUFA and CHST Act implications.
5. Direct the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) National Chief to continue to push for the inclusion of the 1999 Companion Accord to SUFA.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief to secure funding from the federal government to conduct an in-depth analysis of the CHST and its impact on First Nations people in Manitoba;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that upon completion of the in-depth analysis of the CHST report it be provided for the Manitoba leadership's review and ratification;

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief to ensure all identified financial resources that are included in the CHST for First Nation Peoples be negotiated to be directly transferred to the First Nation governments within Manitoba.

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First Nation Implications

The SUFA's principles are intended to serve all Canadians equally. However, the direct implications of SUFA for First Nations are not clear. Nonetheless, it does state that "nothing in the Agreement abrogates or derogates from any Aboriginal, treaty or other rights of Aboriginal Peoples including self-government." In the same spirit, a later section of the SUFA makes an express commitment to work with Aboriginal Peoples to find practical solutions to their needs.

Unfortunately, and in spite of the unique and distinct concerns of First Nation peoples with respect to health care and social services, the SUFA was concluded without the participation of First Nations representatives.

In answer to this omission, and because it has always taken the position that First Nations must be full and equal participants in the social union, the Assembly of First Nations has suggested a Companion Accord be drafted and presented to the Ministerial Council for approval.

In brief, the Companion Accord includes:

- the principles and consultative mechanisms required to fully include Aboriginal peoples and their governments in the operation of the social union;
- full participation of the federal, provincial, territorial governments, as well as national representatives of the Aboriginal peoples;
- recognition and implementation of treaty and Aboriginal rights, including title, self-government, and fiduciary relationships;
- recognition that Aboriginal governments have an extensive and increasing role in delivering social programs;
- commitments to the conduct of just, efficient, and properly coordinated intergovernmental and governmental activity; and
- commitments to protect Aboriginal communities from governments offloading fiscal responsibilities.

Although the Premiers and the Leaders of the National Aboriginal Organizations agreed in March 1999 that National Aboriginal Organizations must be engaged in the implementation of SUFA wherever such implementation has implications for Aboriginal people, it would appear that the federal government rejects the proposed Companion Accord and will not agree to First Nation or Aboriginal seats on the Ministerial Council².

Perhaps as a consequence of the federal government position, the level of Aboriginal involvement in social policy work has diminished over the past year.

Discussion

The Progress Report No. 4 to Premiers by the Provincial/Territorial Council on social Policy Renewal (August 1999) recommends that Premiers call on the federal government to honour its fiduciary and constitutional responsibilities for Aboriginal peoples particularly with respect to ensuring comparable levels of social programs for Aboriginal Canadians, ensuring Aboriginal Canadians are able to participate fully in Canada's social and economic life, and addressing barriers to the mobility of Aboriginal Canadians.

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Moved by:

Chief Ron Fontaine
Sagkeeng First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Dennis Pashe
Dakota Tipi First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS SURVIVORS PILOT
PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Residential Schools Survivor Association Inc. was created in the Province of Manitoba to represent survivors of the Residential School System in the communities of Sagkeeng First Nation, Norway House, Skownan and Valley River; and

WHEREAS, the Residential Schools survivors from the above mentioned communities, as well as across the Province of Manitoba, had initiated litigation which has been suspended pending the outcome of discussions with both the Government of Canada and the Churches through the Pilot Project Process; and

WHEREAS, the negotiation process has now been stalled through no fault of any of the Residential Schools survivors; and

WHEREAS, it has now become apparent as a result of cases heard in both the Province of Saskatchewan and the Province of British Columbia, that all Residential School survivors will be entitled to some compensation from both the Government of Canada and the Church; and

WHEREAS, over the 2 ½ year period that the Residential School survivors have been pursuing the claims, a number have passed away and continue to pass away due to the aging process; and

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**RE: RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS SURVIVORS PILOT
PROJECT (cont'd)**

WHEREAS, there is concern that Residential School survivors will not receive rightful compensation as more will pass away;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly urge the Government of Canada and the Churches to resolve their differences and to immediately commence negotiations with the Manitoba Residential School survivors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chiefs-In-Assembly strongly urge the Government of Canada to create a fund representing a settlement figure for each Residential School survivor to ensure that they receive some immediate tangible compensation for their Residential School experience; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly support the concept that any such Fund should be run by a Board of Trustees, the majority of whom will be composed of survivors of the Residential Schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution may be adopted by and be applicable to and for all First Nations residential school survivors of Manitoba; and

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***RE: RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS SURVIVORS PILOT
PROJECT (cont'd)***

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs will monitor, assist, record, promote and, if the residential school survivors or their families so decide, represent the residential school survivors or their families to seek healing and compensation dollars for pain and suffering they have had to endure.

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Moved by:

Chief Dennis Meeches
Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Frank Whitehead
Opaskwayak Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: THE FIRST NATIONS DISABILITY
ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA (FNDA) INC.**

WHEREAS, the Southern Chiefs Organization (SCO) passed Resolution #4, Dated September 02, 1998, having given full political support of the First Nation disABILITY Association (FNDA) to act as a centralized agency for First Nation persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the SCO passed Motion #7 Dated May 10, 1999, supporting the initiative of the FNDA to coordinate a detailed needs assessment and an overall evaluation of all existing Provincial disability servicing agencies to identify the funding allocations accessed by these organizations based on First Nations demographics; and

WHEREAS, the FNDA contributed and participated in the First Nations with Disabilities needs assessment as the urban and southern coordinators in 1999-2000; and

WHEREAS, the FNDA has compiled a strategic action plan regarding initiatives for First Nations persons living with disabilities both at the urban and First Nations levels; and

WHEREAS, the FNDA is now operating as a connecting house for disability issues for Manitoba's First Nation communities and First Nation members and is now the central agency for First Nations Disability Issues Training; and

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**RE: THE FIRST NATIONS DISABILITY
ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA (FNDA) INC. (cont'd)**

WHEREAS, the FNDA will not take away from any responsibility nor diminish any role assumed by other organizations, but will strive toward establishing and maintaining a mutually beneficial working relationship with them to bring all concerns and issues to the appropriate levels of Government;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly on Health and FAI hereby support the initiatives of the FNDA to operate as the central service delivery agency for First Nations persons living with disabilities at the urban and First Nation community levels and First Nation community representatives and agencies; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the FNDA will also serve as a liaison between the existing disability and service organizations within urban centres for First Nation communities and their members and representatives regarding disability issues; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the FNDA will also serve as an advisory and liaison for First Nations communities and their representatives and/or members to access disability and service organizations within urban centres;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly hereby require regular progress reports be provided to AMC.

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Moved by:

Chief Dennis Pashe
Dakota Tipi First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Phillip Buck
Mosakahiken Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF NATIVE
FIREFIGHTERS (MANFF) DRAFT MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH MANITOBA**

WHEREAS, the Manitoba Minister of Labour and MANFF have developed a draft MOU between MANFF and the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC); and

WHEREAS, the draft MOU between MANFF and OFC focuses on training initiatives for Manitoba First Nation firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the draft MOU does not encompass, reflect, or include any negotiated items of a jurisdictional nature; and

WHEREAS, the draft MOU is based on training that will be supported by resources allocated by the Province of Manitoba and OFC; and

WHEREAS, the draft MOU reflects ongoing cooperation and a partnership between MANFF and OFC that will benefit First Nation fire fighters and their communities; and

WHEREAS, MANFF recognizes the need for political support and endorsement by the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly, the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak and the Southern Chief's Organization; and

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**RE: MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF NATIVE
FIREFIGHTERS (MANFF) DRAFT MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH MANITOBA**
(cont'd)

WHEREAS, MANFF has followed protocol and requested the political support of these organizations and has achieved this mandate by all Manitoba Chiefs-In-Assembly;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly provide the MANFF Board of Directors the written support and endorsement of the draft First Nations Fire Protection Training Initiative Proposal (dated January 17, 2001).

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Moved by:

Chief Bailey Colon
Oxford House First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Gilbert Andrews
God's Lake Narrows First
Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

WHEREAS, every year women around the world are being recognized internationally for their achievements and successes; and

WHEREAS, March 8, 2001 has been recognized as International Women's Day; and

WHEREAS, in Aboriginal culture, women are held in high honor for their ability to give and sustain life and the role they play in keeping our families together; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-In-Assembly recognize International Women's Day and recognize the important role our women play in our lives;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the AMC Women's Secretariat to organize a special event to acknowledge all Aboriginal women; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this event be organized next year on March 8, 2002.

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Moved by:

Chief Roderick Pascal
Pauingassi First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Derek Cook
Bloodvein First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: ILLEGAL RESALE OF ALCOHOL AMONGST
MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS**

WHEREAS, in 1998, the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) undertook a Review of the National Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program across Canada and produced 37 recommendations for enhancing NNADAP's effectiveness and efficiencies in addressing alcohol and drug abuse amongst First Nations; and

WHEREAS, the National Review provided evidence that alcohol and drug abuse remain major health concerns of First Nations and that alcohol remains the primary addictive agent of First Nations and the number one recommendation spoke to illegally obtained and illegally resold alcohol amongst First Nations; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba NNADAP Working Group comprised of the Native Addictions Council of Manitoba, Nelson House Medicine Lodge, NNADAP of the Southeast Resource Development Council, Swampy Cree Tribal Council and the Keewatin Tribal Council, conducted an analysis of the National Review and determined that an immediate strategy is required to respond to the illegal resale of alcohol amongst Manitoba First Nations; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba Liquor Control Commission, at its Strategic Planning Session of January 2001, also recognized the negative social impacts of the illegal resale of alcohol and determined an immediate response is required.

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**RE: ILLEGAL RESALE OF ALCOHOL AMONGST
MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS (cont'd)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly support the Manitoba NNADAP Working Group on the National NNADAP Review to take immediate action to develop a strategy aimed at resolving the illegal resale of alcohol amongst First Nations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Manitoba Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the Grand Chiefs of AMC, MKO and SCO to begin discussions with the Manitoba Department of Justice, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Manitoba Liquor Control Commission towards a strategy aimed at addressing the illegal resale of alcohol amongst Manitoba First Nations.

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Moved by:

Chief Derek Cook
Bloodvein First Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Furlon Barker
Hollow Water First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: ALL WEATHER ROAD ACCESS TO BERENS
RIVER AND BLOODVEIN FIRST NATIONS**

WHEREAS, the Province of Manitoba and the Minister of Transportation and Government Services, the Honourable Steve Ashton, announced on March 01, 2001, in an official News Release titled "Northern Transportation Consultations Announced - Province Pursues Solutions for Access to Remote Communities"; and

WHEREAS, the said News Release identifies the northern communities of Thicket Portage, Pikwitonei, Ilford, York Landing, and Shamattawa as the communities to be consulted on all-weather road access; and

WHEREAS, the East Side of Lake Winnipeg communities of Berens River and Bloodvein have been negotiating with the Province of Manitoba and the Federal Government since 1997 to provide all-weather road access to the communities of Berens River and Bloodvein to promote economic development and improved living conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (the Federal Government) has publicly stated they are ready and willing to provide funding and support to the development of an all-weather road up the east side of Lake Winnipeg as a priority project for Manitoba; and

WHEREAS, to date the Province of Manitoba has failed to take action or to make commitments and public announcements on beginning the development of the Lake Winnipeg East Road as a priority project for Manitoba to the communities of Berens River and Bloodvein; and

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**RE: ALL WEATHER ROAD ACCESS TO BERENS
RIVER AND BLOODVEIN FIRST NATIONS (cont'd)**

WHEREAS, Premier Gary Doer promised the communities of Berens River and Bloodvein on March 21, 2000, that the Wide Area Land Use Study announced for the east side of Lake Winnipeg would not delay or side-track the development of an all-weather road into the region because a parallel process would be implemented to accommodate the all-weather road initiative;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly at the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Summit in Sioux Valley hereby call on the Province of Manitoba to immediately act and publicly announce concrete plans on the immediate development of an all-weather road to Berens River and Bloodvein as a Phase I Project in developing an all-weather road up the east side of Lake Winnipeg;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs urgently request that Premier Gary Doer and his Cabinet should immediately begin negotiations with the Federal government to provide funding for the development of an all-weather road to Berens River and Bloodvein as described above; and

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RIVER AND BLOODVEIN FIRST NATIONS (cont'd)**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as part of all-weather road development up the east side of Lake Winnipeg to Berens River, that the Premier of Manitoba is hereby requested to meet with the Chiefs of the 11 First Nations involved with the Joint Venture sawmill project at Sagkeeng First Nation (a partnership with the Pine Falls Paper Company) to discuss the Province of Manitoba support required for the Joint Venture Sawmill Project and the importance of a road to Berens River for the Project

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Moved by:

Chief Darcy Wood
Garden Hill First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: SUPPORTING THE CAMPAIGN FOR ELIJAH
HARPER'S APPOINTMENT TO THE CANADIAN
STATE SENATE**

WHEREAS, Canada's parliament is not part of the First Nations system of government and has failed to recognize the sovereignty of First Nations; and

WHEREAS, First Nations' presence at the highest level of Canada's political government would profile First Nations interests and address the education, public and media awareness on First Nations - Crown relations; and

WHEREAS, Canada's leaders have stated political relations need to be developed; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy in the Canadian Senate needs to be filled from Manitoba; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Harper, Honorary Chief of Red Sucker Lake First Nation has consistently advocated the interests of our people and Treaty Relations at the provincial, federal and international forums;

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HARPER'S APPOINTMENT TO THE CANADIAN
STATE SENATE (cont'd)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) support the campaign for the appointment of Elijah Harper, Honorary Chief of the Red Sucker Lake First Nation to the Canadian State Senate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC Grand Chief write to other First Nation political organizations, Chiefs and Councils across Canada to support this appointment campaign.

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Moved by:

Proxy Nathan McGillivray
Opaskwayak Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Gilbert Andrews
God's Lake Narrows First
Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: WINNIPEG KEEWATIN FIRST NATION
EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING(KENET) OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak (MKO) reaffirmed their commitment to support the Urban Strategy contained in the agreement with Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) by committing ten percent (10%) of the funds appropriated to the MKO First Nations for the establishment of an office in Winnipeg effective July 1, 2000; and

WHEREAS, a Winnipeg First Nations Employment and Training (WFNET) office was established which included two staff from the MKO region to service MKO First Nation members residing in the City of Winnipeg in accordance with the agreement; and

WHEREAS, it was determined by MKO that a new operational structure was required in order to best serve the needs of MKO First Nation members residing in Winnipeg and that this new strategy required a separate office in Winnipeg for the two MKO staff members and that the KFNET Board of Directors would be given the responsibility for the operation of this office; and

WHEREAS, MKO requested that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) not renew any arrangements with WFNET effective April 1, 2000 and that the agreement between MKO and AMC be revised to address the new operational structure of the urban strategy; and

WHEREAS, the new operation structures of the Urban Strategy would satisfy the Master Agreement between HRDC and AMC by utilizing the funds to best service the employment and training needs of urban First Nations;

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**RE: WINNIPEG KEEWATIN FIRST NATION
EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING(KFNET) OFFICE**
(cont'd)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly hereby direct the AMC Secretariat to immediately redirect MKO's share of the total Urban Aboriginal Strategy funds (10% of the employment & training under the Aboriginal Human Resources Development Canada {AHRDC} agreement) back to MKO for the purpose of establishing their own office within the City of Winnipeg so that this portion of the funds can be used to better service their members residing in Winnipeg for fairness and consistency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct that this new office will be referred to as the Winnipeg KFNET office and operation of this office will be managed by the KFNET Board of Directors.

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Moved by:

Chief Dennis Meeches
Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Alfred Everette
Berens River First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: NATIONAL INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL
MUSEUM**

WHEREAS, the Long Plain First Nations (LPFN) owns a former Indian Residential School building situated on Long Plain Indian Reserve 6 B (Portage la Prairie); and

WHEREAS, the LPFN believes there is a need to preserve our history and culture; and

WHEREAS, the LPFN is working towards the establishment of a National Indian Residential School Museum and First Nation Cultural Interpretive Centre;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly support and endorse the LPFN proposal of establishing an Indian Residential School Museum at the Long Plain Reserve 6 B.

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Moved by:

Chief Harvey Olson
Brokenhead Ojibway Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Larry Soldier
Swan Lake First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A TREATY
COMMISSION PROCESS IN MANITOBA**

WHEREAS, First Nations of Manitoba entered into Treaty with the Crown and Treaty obligations remain outstanding; and

WHEREAS, First Nations in Manitoba have long advocated for a Treaty Protection and Implementation Office; and

WHEREAS, the Minister of Indian and Northern Development (DIAND) has recently proposed the establishment of a Treaty Commission Process with the First Nations of Manitoba;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) support the initiative to establish a Treaty Commission process to address the protection, interpretation and implementation of the Treaty and Inherent Rights of First Nations of Manitoba; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief and the Chiefs Executive Council to develop the Treaty Commission process:

1. To ensure that the Treaty Commission Process complements and does not displace the Framework Agreement Initiative or the National Treaty Strategy;

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**RE: PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A TREATY
COMMISSION PROCESS IN MANITOBA (cont'd)**

2. To ensure the Treaty Commission Process does not result in the abrogation, derogation, or domestication of any Treaty, Treaty relationship or Treaty and Inherent Right or does not delay, impair or in any way affect existing Treaty and self-government processes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a report on the proposed Treaty Commission Process be prepared and submitted to the Chiefs-In-Assembly for ratification prior to implementation.

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Moved by:

Chief Dwayne Blackbird
Keeseekoowenin First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief David Traverse
Kinonjeoshtegon First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: HONOURING OUR TREATIES

WHEREAS, Treaties between the First Nations and the Crown are sacred, inviolable international covenants entered into between sovereign Nations to which the honouring, fulfillment and implementation of the Treaties have not been achieved by the Governments of Canada to their full and proper extent; and

WHEREAS, since 1998, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) has been involved in the development of a National Treaty Strategy with the Assembly of First Nations relating to the implementation of Treaties, Treaty Relationships and Treaty and Inherent Rights including the development of political, fiscal and organizational structures and mechanisms;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the AMC endorse in principle the National Treaty Implementation Strategy and direct the Grand Chief and the AMC Executive Council to develop a draft Manitoba First Nations Treaty Implementation Strategy with the participation of Elders, Women and Youth for presentation and final approval by the Chiefs-In-Assembly; and

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RE: HONOURING OUR TREATIES (cont'd)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the AMC Grand Chief is hereby directed:

1. To immediately undertake negotiations to secure financial and fiscal resources for a Treaty Implementation process.
2. To ensure a Manitoba First Nation Treaty Implementation Strategy does not result in the abrogation, derogation or domestication of any Treaty, Treaty relationship or Treaty and Inherent Right or does not delay, impair or in any way affect existing Treaty and self-government processes.

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Moved by:

Chief Phillip Buck
Mosakahiken Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Nathan McGillivray
Opaskwayak Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: BILL C-31 CHALLENGE 2001

WHEREAS, Bill C-31 pertaining to Section 6(2) of the Indian Act leads to the extinguishment of Treaty First Nations and elimination of First Nations citizenship; and

WHEREAS, if Section 6(2) continues to apply in the near future it will eliminate First Nations citizens special status as First Nations peoples; and

WHEREAS, Canada's federal policy under Bill C-31 is equivalent to genocide; and

WHEREAS, there are existing court cases across Canada challenging Bill C-31, for example the Dakota McGillivray Case in Manitoba and numerous Assembly of First Nations (AFN) resolutions pertaining to this matter and no action has been achieved; and

WHEREAS, the inherent and treaty rights of First Nations citizens are recognized and protected by the Constitution of Canada Section 35; and

WHEREAS, the inherent and treaty rights for our First Nations children and future generations must be protected by First Nation leadership;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) directs the Grand Chief and the Executive Council of Chiefs (ECC) to challenge Bill C-31; and

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RE: BILL C-31 CHALLENGE 2001 (cont'd)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the Grand Chief and the ECC to immediately take measures to develop and implement a strategy to ensure the reinstatement of Treaty First Nation citizens who have had their Treaty rights and entitlement as First Nations illegally infringed upon or extinguished by the Government of Canada; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC promotes the reference of First Nations as "citizens" of First Nations as opposed to "band members"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC First Nations Women's Chiefs Committee is hereby mandated to take a lead role on the Bill C-31 Challenge and that a report on the measures proposed and implemented be provided to the Chiefs-In-Assembly by the AMC Annual General Assembly 2001; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that AMC Public Relations and Education Strategy include the Bill C-31 Challenge and to include but not be limited to a public demonstration as required;

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Moved by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Nathan McGillivray
Opaskwayak Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: FIRST NATIONS GOVERNANCE ACT -
REFORMING THE INDIAN ACT**

WHEREAS, the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada has introduced a First Nations Governance Act in an attempt to reform the Indian Act to reflect today's modern standards; and

WHEREAS, the Minister has commenced initial consultations on the Governance Act with First Nations and proposes to conclude consultations over a six-month time frame across Canada; and

WHEREAS, the position of the First Nations of Manitoba is that any amendments to the Indian Act or any other legislation relating to First Nations requires consultation and consent from First Nations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) Grand Chief inform the Minister that the Governance Act shall not undermine or circumvent existing First Nations political processes, government systems, and self-government processes and agreements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC Grand Chief and the AMC Executive Council of Chiefs ensure the rights of First Nations are protected and to ensure the Governance Act does not in any way diminish, derogate or abrogate from any existing Inherent & Treaty Rights and other rights under the Constitution of Canada, 1982 or the Royal Proclamation.

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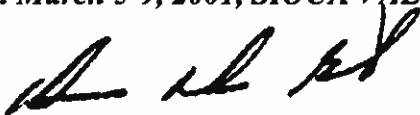
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**RE: FIRST NATIONS GOVERNANCE ACT -
REFORMING THE INDIAN ACT (cont'd)**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the AMC requirements for participation in the First Nation Governance Act Initiative shall include, but not be limited to:

1. That the Chiefs-In-Assembly have the option to participate in the Minister's proposed First Nations Governance Act.
2. That consultations shall be to the satisfaction of the Manitoba First Nations.
3. That new funding resources be provided for Manitoba First Nation representatives to participate in the consultations on the First Nations Governance Act.
4. That final recommendations, based on consultation, and wording of legislation must be endorsed by the First Nations leadership of Manitoba.

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MAR-01.34

Moved by:

Proxy Ivan Amyotte
Rolling River First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Harvey Olson
Brokenhead Ojibway Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: COMMUNITY ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT (CEOD) PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, in 1991 there was a program called Community Economic Organizational Development Program (CEOD) which was funded by Canada; and

WHEREAS, the CEOD program produced a number of graduates who now have training in leadership and management; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this program was cut in 1996-1997;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly support the revival of this program which shall be renamed the First Nation Leadership and Management Training Program (FNLMTTP); and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the FNLMTTP be developed as a permanent program of study to be developed by the University of Manitoba (U of M) in consultation with the AMC First Nations leadership; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the FNLMTTP be delivered as an accredited course of study by the U of M.

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MAR-01.35

Moved by:

Chief Dennis Meeches
Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS INSTITUTE OF
TRADES AND TECHNOLOGIES (MFNITT)**

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-In-Assembly passed a resolution on October 1, 1993 to develop and establish a First Nations governed post-secondary institute; and

WHEREAS, a Philanthropist donated land (755 and 769 Tache Avenue in Winnipeg) with a condition that the land be utilized for Manitoba First Nation People's educational and cultural activities; and

WHEREAS, the taxes on the land located at 755 and 769 Tache Avenue are in arrears and are in peril of tax sale; and

WHEREAS, an Interim Working Group has been established and completed a Business Plan for the creation of a MFNITT; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-In-Assembly recognize the value of investing and advancing First Nations careers in trades and technologies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly continue to support the staff of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and Interim Working Group in advancing the implementation and development of MFNITT as outlined in the Business Plan.

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MAR-01.36

Moved by:

Chief Phillip Buck
Mosakahiken Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Dennis Pashe
Dakota Tipi First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: MANDATE TO THE GRAND CHIEFS OF
ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS (AMC),
MANITOBA KEEWATINOWI OKIMAKANAK (MKO)
AND SOUTHERN CHIEFS ORGANIZATION (SCO)
ON THE MANITOBA FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT
(MFA) INITIATIVE NEGOTIATIONS**

WHEREAS, the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly have received a volume of materials in regards to the administration and negotiations of the Framework Agreement Initiative (FAI) process; and

WHEREAS, the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly have not had sufficient time to fully review these materials to make informed decisions on issues by resolutions; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly hereby give the full authority and mandate to the AMC Grand Chief, MKO Grand Chief and SCO Grand Chief to negotiate together with the Federal Government and to develop a comprehensive package including funding levels for assessment by community and leadership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the time frame for results of the negotiations be provided within six (6) months and that no FAI assemblies or conferences be called during this time frame.

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Moved by:

Proxy Nathan McGillivray
Opaskwayak Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Derek Cook
Bloodvein First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: SUPPORT FOR MARCEL COLOMB FIRST
NATION**

WHEREAS, the Marcel Colomb First Nation is recognized by DIAND as the 62nd First Nation in Manitoba and currently has contribution agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Marcel Colomb First Nation negotiations with Health Canada for a contribution agreement to provide health services to the Marcel Colomb First Nation were not successful; and

WHEREAS, Health Canada has stated they have no mandate to provide health services because they are not residents on reserve lands; and

WHEREAS, Marcel Colomb First Nation is in a process of developing and relocating to a designated reserve land but have been hampered by bureaucratic policies.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief to assist the Chief of Marcel Colomb First Nation in securing a contribution agreement with Health Canada or if this fails, have the Grand Chief assist in negotiating for a contribution agreement and have Swampy Cree Tribal Council (SCTC) sign the agreement and administer the funds on behalf of Marcel Colomb First Nation.

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Moved by:

Chief David Crate
Fisher River First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Noella Eagle
Canupawakpa Dakota Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: INDIAN & NORTHERN AFFAIRS CANADA
(INAC) AMALGAMATION OF THE EDUCATION
DIRECTORATE WITH FUNDING SERVICES**

WHEREAS, INAC proposed the amalgamation of the Education Directorate with Funding Services; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Council of Chiefs passed a resolution that called for a moratorium to allow time for a review of the proposed amalgamation in order to determine if it was in the best interest of First Nations; and

WHEREAS, INAC has successfully delayed this review process and now intends to proceed with the amalgamation on April 1st, 2001; and

WHEREAS, there remains a grave concern that this move will be detrimental to First Nations Education;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) call on INAC Regional Office for a one year extension of the moratorium; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AMC call on INAC Regional Office to enter into a meaningful joint review process with AMC to determine the implications of this transfer

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Moved by:

Chief Dennis Meeches
Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Larry Soldier
Swan Lake First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: LONG PLAIN FIRST NATION - SPECIFIC
CLAIM INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION (ICC)
RECOMMENDATION**

WHEREAS, by Order-in-Council the government of Canada established the Indian Claims Commission (ICC) to determine whether a claimant has a valid claim for negotiation under the Specific Claims Policy where that claim has already been rejected by the Minister; and

WHEREAS, Canada agreed in 1994 to refer to the ICC the question as to whether the Long Plain First Nation had a valid claim for compensation, under the Policy, for the loss of use of land not set aside by Canada pursuant to its obligations under Treaty One and the revision thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Honour of the Crown requires that Canada accepts the recommendations of a Commission which it established to give First Nations an opportunity to establish claims which were in dispute; and

WHEREAS, Canada has not accepted the recommendation of the ICC;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the government of Canada immediately agree to meet with the Chief and Council of the Long Plain First Nation, its elder and advisors in order to establish a protocol for negotiating the First Nations loss of use claim;

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**RE: LONG PLAIN FIRST NATION - SPECIFIC
CLAIM INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION (ICC)
RECOMMENDATION (cont'd)**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Government of Canada commit sufficient financial and personnel resources to the process to ensure that a resolution of the claim can be achieved within a reasonable period of time.

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MAR-01.41

Moved by:

Headman Chris Baker
O-Pipon-Na-Piwin Cree
Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Louella Leask
Sapotaweyak Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: ORIENTATION ON FAI FOR NEWLY ELECTED
CHIEFS AND COUNCILS**

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) on behalf of the First Nations of Manitoba, and Canada signed the Framework Agreement Initiative (FAI) on December 7, 1994; and

WHEREAS, newly elected Chiefs have requested an Orientation package and presentation at the community level regarding the history and developments to date of the FAI Process;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the FAI Process Director to develop an Orientation package on the history of the FAI and to include developments to date, and upon request, conduct meetings with Chiefs and Councils on the FAI Orientation package.

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MAR-01.42

Moved by:

Chief Dennis Meeches
Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Nathan McGillivray
Opaskwayak Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: INDEPENDENT CLAIMS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, in May 2000, the Minister of Indian & Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) tabled a report on recommendations and acceptance of the need for an Independent Claims Commission;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-In-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief and AMC Executive Council of Chiefs to approach INAC to access funding to review and recommend a course of action that will promote the development of an Independent Claims body.

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